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FROM THE PEOPLE.

Letter From Big Bud.

To the Editor of the Beacon:

Some of my friends tell me that I have been right smartly criticized on account of my position in favor of woman's suffrage. Now, in the last session of the legislature, I voted to submit an amendment to the people of the state, conferring suffrage on the women of the state.

I think this Democratic, and I claim to be a Democrat. I regard the people of the state as the source of all power, and I am willing at all times to submit any question to the good people of our state, and as a Democrat, am willing to abide by their action when taken.

If every member of the next legislature, and the next governor were in favor of woman's suffrage, they would be powerless to confer it, as the only way to do this is to submit an amendment granting this right to the people, and if a majority of the people vote in favor of it, the legislature can incorporate it in the constitution at its next session.

Any Democrat ought to be willing at all times to submit any question to the people, and I want to state, that should I be elected to the next legislature, and this amendment is offered, I shall certainly vote to submit it, and then when it is submitted, I will vote for it. This is my privilege.

John Sharp Williams and Senator Vardaman are both in favor of letting the people of the different states decide this question.

John Sharp Williams said that whenever the women of the state of Mississippi wanted woman's suffrage, he would be willing to give it to them.

Now my acquaintance in this county is quite large, and I can truthfully say that the ladies I associate with, as a general thing, are smarter than their husbands, and I can prove this by these very men, especially if I get them where their wives are.

I was also told that I ought to keep my mouth shut about Bilbo. Now I have been at home ever since the legislature adjourned, attending strictly to my business, and I have had very little to say about any candidate. Every person in this county is acquainted with Mr. Bilbo's record, and if they wish to vote for him, it is their privilege, but as for myself, I expect to vote for Hillery Quinn, for I have served with him in the legislature the last eight years, and found him honest, faithful and capable, and he is my friend, and I hope he will be elected governor of the state; but if I am elected, I shall do in the future as I have always done in the past, support and sustain the administration, as far as the different measures meet my approval.

I have done this in the administrations of the past three governors, and if Mr. Bilbo is elected, I shall support any measure that he wishes passed, if I think it is to the best interests of the people of the state to do so; but if I don't think so, I would not vote for it, I don't care who is governor.

Now if I were to keep my mouth shut about everything, and conceal my opinion, I would not be fit to represent you; I never have done it and I never expect to. It may be that it will be best for me sometimes to do this, but I reckon I will be like the old fellow who was drowned with a lot of others.

His wife and children came to identify his body. The children said, "Yes, that is father," and the old lady said, "Yes, that is Jim," so they asked the undertaker to buy a nice suit of clothes and furnish a nice coffin, and embalm his body, and to send for them when the body was ready for interment. He finally sent for them, and when they came in to look at him, the corpse was lying on the cooling board, and his mouth had fallen open. One of the children said, "Ma, that ain't pa; look at the gold teeth in his mouth; pa never had any gold teeth in his mouth in his life!" The old lady said, "No, that is not Jim; you will have to take those clothes off of him, and we will hunt for Jim." After they had left, the undertaker turned to the corpse and said, "Now, if you had kept your durned mouth shut, you would have got a decent funeral, but as it is, I will have to carry you to the petter's field."

Now, it may be, that if I don't keep my mouth shut on any and all questions of interest to the people, I may not be elected; but if I don't get elected, Salie says she will make me help her with the chickens.

I can only promise, if elected, to do as I have always done, to vote for every measure that I think is to the interest of my people, keep nothing concealed from them, and try at all times to be worthy to be called the "Gentleman from Noyahbee."

Yours,
Big Bud.

From California.

To the Editor of the Beacon:

I see by the BEACON, which I enjoy very much each week, that there are contests on to send sponsors to the "Panama-Pacific exposition."

I am enclosing a Southern Pacific Bulletin as I thought perhaps the contestants would be interested in the editorial column of same, and that you would be glad to furnish them with this information.

The Southern Pacific building is centrally located and would be a good place to have mail sent to or to meet friends, etc. In this building is rest room, information bureau, sunlet theatre open from eleven a. m. to six p. m., and a series of vistas showing fourteen scenes famous for their beauty or historical associations, all absolutely free.

Would suggest that any one coming out write to Mr. Chas. S. Tee, care of Southern Pacific Co., San Francisco, as he will be glad to furnish them with full information as to best route to take, coming and going, and also as to description and location of all exhibits at the fair. This will make it much easier for one to see the fair in a limited time.

Hope that I will have the pleasure of seeing you at the fair.

541 E. Park St. Yours very truly,
Stockton, Cal. W. P. MINOR, JR.

State Teachers Association.

All indications point to a big meeting of teachers at Laurel April 29, 30 and May 1. The advanced registration already reaches several hundred. Nearly all of the reservations that the hotels can make have been taken up, but practically every home in Laurel has been thrown open to the teachers during the three days of their stay. The Commercial club has already secured accommodations for twelve hundred teachers.

The superintendents and high school principals will meet at the Pinehurst Wednesday night, April 28th. Other organizations meeting with the State Teachers' Association are The School Improvement Association, the Classical Association, the American School Peace League—Mississippi branch, the Mississippi History Teachers' Association and the Mississippi Manual Art's Association.

The programs for these big meetings have been well planned, and questions of public and professional interest will be discussed. Among the speakers from out of the state who will take part on the programs are: Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of education; Dr. Lincoln B. Hulley, president of John B. Stetson University and Superintendent Lawton B. Evans of Augusta, Ga.

On Friday afternoon at 4 p. m. the city schools will give a grand historical pageant, arranged especially for the entertainment of the visiting teachers. The history of the state, especially as it relates to educational progress will be represented in costume and pantomime by more than 600 children from the Laurel schools.

Special trains over the G. & S. I. will leave Jackson Thursday, April 29, and Friday, April 30 at 4:10 p. m., thus making connection on Jackson with all trains leading into that point from the north, east and west. On Saturday, May 1st, the special will leave Laurel at 3:00 p. m. and reach Jackson about 7 p. m.

Senator Aldrich's death did not long survive the close of his career. In a sense his political life was successful. Promoted to the leadership of the Republicans in the senate after the passing of Quay and Hanna, his management of the party paramount interest, protection, was an advance upon theirs. In fact he carried the doctrine to a farther, finer, point than any of his predecessors. He surpassed all in the art of manipulation of colleagues, of undermining opposition. Perhaps his most scientific work was in recruiting support from Democrats, a majority of whom he lured from their party anchorage, and thus pulled off the feat of tariff revision, a fatal victory, in 1909. While his wisdom failed him in playing the game too far, he was wise enough to realize when it was lost, and stood from under the 1912 deluge the more than any one else uncorked.—Vicksburg Herald.

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MRS. SUE A. HOLBERG.

Why the Patent Medicine

Business is Fraudulent

"Point out which of our patent medicine ads. are fraudulent," says an agency handling advertising for these nostrums. We might reply by saying that so long as this agency handles advertising of such obvious and outrageous frauds as "consumption cures" and "cancer cures," it convicts itself of stupidity or insincerity in making any such request. We may answer the question, however, by saying that the whole patent medicine business is inherently and innately fraudulent.

The sale of patent medicines can only be justified on the ground that any man is capable of diagnosing his own ailments, which is absurd on the face of it. It is a well known fact that the young medical student is apt to imagine himself affected with all the diseases he hears about during the first few weeks he is at medical college. The difficult part of medical practice is the diagnosis of the disease, not alone to name the disease, but to know the stage and development of the disease—in short, know the diseased conditions. The most skilled and best educated physicians find their greatest difficulties here, notwithstanding all their experience and scientific knowledge. It is notorious that "a man who acts as his own attorney has a fool for a client," and the wisdom of the man who acts as his own doctor is even less to be commended.

1. In the first place, therefore, the use of patent medicines assumes the ability of a man to diagnose his own case. In results it amounts to simply guessing, and the chances are a thousand to one that the guess will be wrong.

2. The use of patent medicines assumes that one medicine is as good as another for any disease, or that the patient after having guessed at his disease should guess at the medicine required, and here again the chances are a thousand to one that he will guess wrong.

3. The use of patent medicines assumes that the makers of patent medicines have medical knowledge not possessed by the medical profession.

Every one of these three propositions are plainly erroneous and no man having the least claim to medical knowledge will try to maintain any one of them. It is not that one time in ten thousand the right medicine may not be found for a certain disease, but that the whole business is entirely wrong in principle and erroneous in practice and therefore of necessity fraudulent. The fact that an occasional vendor of patent medicines believes his medicines good for all he claims, does not make them less fraudulent.

The overwhelming evidence of medical science and the opinions of all the best physicians is that patent medicines are based on a misconception of medical practice and that they do infinitely more harm than good. The man who casts these opinions aside as those of men who are testifying falsely for financial reasons proclaims himself a knave or a fool and unworthy of confidence.

In a few years public opinion will drive all decent publications out of the patent medicine business, just as it has in the last few years driven them out of the whiskey business.—Progressive Farmer.

Since the great emigration from Ireland to America owing to the famine of 1845-48, there has never, probably, been so small an outflow from that country as there was in 1914. It was ten thousand less than in the year before, and fifteen thousand less than the annual average of the first ten years of the century. That many Irishmen have been called to military service does not wholly explain it, for the number of Irishwomen who departed was proportionately low. Apparently, the new land laws are making Ireland a good place to live in.

MANMOUTH YELLOW SOY BEANS—Thirty bushels at \$2 per bushel.
GEO. SHAYER,
Macon, Miss.

STRAYED—From my farm at Ex-Prarie, one black Aberdeen Angus heifer about two years old unmarked, curly headed and a little dished. Any information will be rewarded. Has been gone since Christmas.
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Your town will be what you want to see.

It isn't the town—it's you!
Stockholder Herald.

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If everybody in Macon
Was just like me,
What kind of a town
Would this town be?

Last Sunday's Commercial-Appeal contained a good picture of Dr. B. F. Ward, of Winona, one of the state's greatest men. Dr. Ward is well up in years, but still actively at work. He is a man of broad information, a close student, a deep thinker and a fine writer. Had he turned his attention to politics, he would have ranked along with George, Walhall and Lamar.—Southern Sentinel.

"Had he turned his attention to politics!" Who among the living can recall the time when this "one of the state's greatest men" did not shed the effulgence of his "fine writing" upon the politics, and politicians of the times?—Vicksburg Herald.



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